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RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT

Sir:

Responsive to the restriction requirement mailed September 20, 2006, applicants elect to prosecute the claims of Group I, i.e., claims 14-22 with traverse.

Respectfully submitted,

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